UPDATED INFORMATIVE DIGEST FOR PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS

OF THE

DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT - STRUCTURAL SAFETY REGARDING THE

2013 CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 1

The Division of the State Architect (Structural Safety) finds that no revisions have been made which would warrant a change to the informative digest contained in the Notice for Title 24, Part 1.

Summary of the Immediately Preceding Laws and Regulations

Summary of Existing Laws

Section 16022 of the Health & Safety Code authorizes the State Architect to establish administrative building standards for state-owned or state-leased essential services buildings.

Sections 17310 and 81142 of the Education Code authorize the State Architect to establish administrative building standards for public elementary and secondary schools, and community colleges.

Summary of Existing Regulations

Administrative building standards for state-owned or state-leased essential services buildings, public elementary and secondary schools, and community colleges are promulgated by the Division of the State Architect-Structural Safety.

These regulations are contained in Chapter 4 of Part 1, Title 24, also known as the California Administrative Code.

Summary of Effect

The proposed action would update Title 24, Part 1, Chapter 4 by:

- Making editorial changes to improve clarity and to better align with provisions in Title 24, Part 2 and the Education Code.
- Adding a definition of "School District."
- Rescinding a one year extension before start of construction due to DOF budget letter 08-33, now itself superseded.
- Establishing project inspector and special inspector procedures that recognize that special inspectors may be contracted for directly by the district, and that a project inspector may be removed for other reasons than provided for in the 2010 code.
- Establishing more specific and stringent inspector eligibility criteria.
- Establishing the use of the term "Laboratory of Record" (LOR) and codifies accreditation and supervisory requirements of laboratories through the Laboratory Evaluation and Acceptance (LEA) program.